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COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone)TOPIC Soviet Troops at Koenigsbrueck

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REMARKS _____

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1. Prior to 29 February 1952, the Nachrichten Schule at Koenigsbrueck (N 52/ A 31) was heavily occupied by about 1,000 troops. Soldiers observed wore red-bordered black epaulets including some with artillery insignia. About 25 soldiers drilled with rifles in the barracks yard, while about 20 other soldiers with rifles marched out of the installation toward Neues Lager, on 21 February. Traffic in the Aus training area was blocked to civilians until about 2 p.m. on 21 February. About 200 troops with rifles received combat training. Rifle firing was heard until 2 p.m. About 100 troops drilled at group level in the yard of the Nachrichten Schule on 22 February. Truck _____ carrying 20 to 25 soldiers, and sedan _____ moved out of the installation. Truck _____ occupied by two officers, moved into the billeting area. About 80 soldiers received infantry training with rifles and about 10 soldiers practiced with heavy machine guns in the Aus training area on 26 February. Groups totaling about 150 soldiers equipped with rifles and submachine guns drilled in the barracks yard on 29 February. *
2. The Altes Lager still housed a fuel dump, and a detachment of about 30 soldier wearing red-bordered black epaulets was permanently stationed there. Truck _____ stood at the dump and truck _____ drove from the dump toward the Nachrichten Schule.
3. On 19 February, about 100 uniformed women marched into Neues Lager from the direction of Neukirch. _____ they had been determined. Trucks _____ hauled coal to Neues Lager throughout the day on 21 February. Continuous artillery firing was heard from the direction of Neues Lager from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on 25 February. ** At about 1 p.m. on 25 February, a troop train of seven boxcar carrying 3 AT guns, 4 rocket launchers and about 25 trucks _____ was seen en route toward Koenigsbrueck-East. The unloading of the train was not observed either at Nordbahnhof or Ostbahnhof. _____ the train was unloaded at Weissbach as, at about 5 p.m., _____ a convoy of 20 to 30 vehicles which _____ had been on the train en route from Weissbach toward Koenigsbrueck. Artillery firing was again heard from Neues Lager on 28 February. On 29 February, truck _____ entered Neues Lager and three tank trucks _____ left Neues Lager toward Altes Lager. ***

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* [] Comment. It appears that, in general, no changes occurred regarding the occupation of the Nachrichten Kasernen. The vehicles seen there belong to the First Gds Wehr Army in the Dresden area. The report does not indicate that elements of the 11th Gds Tank Div and the 8th Gds Wehr Div are there. 50X1-HUM

** [] Comment. [] The report contains no other information confirming the components of the artillery and AA units of the First Gds Wehr Army which are believed to be permanently stationed in Louisenlager. 50X1-HUM

*** [] Comment. [] the three divisions of the First Gds Wehr Army, which probably started conducting firing exercises at the beginning of February 1952. Four rocket launchers of the 8th Gds Wehr Div were reported to have left Leisnig for a four-day exercise at Koenigsbrunn on 17 February. 50X1-HUM

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